SENATE BILL 1678

By Herron

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 63, Chapter 6, Part 2, and Public Chapter 704 of the Acts of 2004, relative to radiology.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Public Chapter 704 of the Acts of 2004 is amended by deleting Section 3 in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

Section 3.

- (a) On or after July 1, 2007, any person seeking to become a radiologist assistant in Tennessee must have completed an advanced academic program encompassing a nationally recognized radiologist assistant curriculum, as well as completed a radiologist directed clinical preceptorship, all culminating in a baccalaureate degree.
- (b) A person is not required to comply with the provisions of subsection (a) if prior to July 1, 2007 that person is a Certified Radiology Practitioner Assistant in good standing with the Certification Board for Radiology Practitioner Assistants and who holds both a current active Radiology Practitioner Assistant certification from the Certification Board for Radiology Practitioner Assistants and an active Radiologic Technologist certification and registration from the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists. Such person may obtain a Tennessee Radiologist Assistant certification from the Tennessee Board of Medical Examiners on compliance with all other applicable provisions of Tennessee Code Annotated, title 63, chapter 6.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring

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